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# Education

B.S. Candidate in Computer Science and Philosophy, Case Western Reserve University (CWRU), Cleveland, OH, May 2022

Specializations: Algorithms, Artificial Intelligence Cumulative GPA: 3.6

International Baccalaureate, UWC Mahindra College, May 2018: Received a 70% scholarship to finish high school at a deliberately diverse residential school, part of a global movement to put high school students on the path to becoming changemakers working for peace and a sustainable future.

# Work Experience

**LiON Care, Cleveland, OH** - Co-Founder October 2020 - Present Leading a **5-person team** dedicated to building software to predictively monitor the health of lithium-ion bat- teries.

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* + Building a **Gaussian Process Regression Model** to predict battery aging using **Python sklearn** and **AWS**.
  + Planning and conducting interviews with **30 prospective customers** as part of the **NSF’s I-Corps Program**.

**HotSpot Inc, Seattle, WA –** Fullstack Intern June 2020 - September 2020 Directed and developed a **data visualization dashboard** for timestamped capacitive sensing data, using **ReactJS, Flask,** and **matplotlib**, for an IoT appliance startup.

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Constructed an optimized **NoSQL time series data pipeline** using **AWS DynamoDB,** the **boto3** Python package, and the **AWS SDK for JavaScript.**

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* + Redesigned the product UI in **ReactJS** with **TypeScript** and **CSS.**

**Boundary Labs, Cleveland, OH –** Backend and Hardware Engineer April 2019 - November 2019 A **Y Combinator** Winter 2020 company, Boundary Labs (now **Workbench Technologies**) was an IoT startup using edge devices for utilization and efficiency monitoring of factory machines

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Spearheaded a hardware and software solution for continuous amperage monitoring, at a rate of 2000 samples per second, using **Arduino** and multithreaded **Python** scripts on **Raspberry Pis**, and cloud storage on **Amazon S3**.

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Constructed a backend architecture and data pipeline to store and query device data (which handled data for 15 IoT devices) using **PostgreSQL**, **AWS RDS**, and **boto3.**

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Developed a data visualization module using **numpy**, **matplotlib**, and **pandas** to compute and plot machine utilization metrics, such as percent uptime and downtime for 15 different machines.

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Implemented an **Android** application in **Java** that served as a 24/7 digital endpoint for manufacturing operators, for machine status monitoring and data entry. Used on 3 machine lines.

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**Skylark Drones, Bengaluru, India –** Drone Electronics Intern Summer 2017 Researched the ground control systems **Mission Planner** and **MAVProxy**, and the **MAVLink protocol**, and charted improvements to the indigenous software of India’s largest drone services company.

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* + Developed a Python script for post-processing video metadata to assist in the survey of roadways.

# Awards, Projects, Activities, and Leadership

**Case Western Reserve University** – ThinkEnergy Fellowship August 2020 - May 2021 Awarded a research fellowship focused on technology development, entrepreneurship, and policy in the energy sector.

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**CWRU Undergraduate Diversity Collaborative –** Vice President of Finance April 2019 - April 2020

* + Coordinated finances for over 30 different cultural and diversity student organizations on the CWRU campus

**FireWatch Drone System –** Founder and Team Lead February 2017 - May 2018 Formulated and led the planning, design and construction of an autonomous drone using computer vision in **MATLAB** to detect forest fires for a local biodiversity reserve.

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